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MEMORANDUM FOR: S/S - Mr. Benjamin H. Read

SUBJECT: Alleged Attacks on Non-Military Targets in the DRV.

REFERENCE: FBIS Item - English Language Broadcast - Radio Hanoi
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Attached is a summary of the non-military targets in the DRV which were allegedly attacked by United States military forces, the dates of the alleged attacks, and actual United States attacks on targets in the immediate vicinity on these dates.

The information in the right hand column under "US Actions in Vicinity on Date Indicated" was extracted from the BDA Fact Book ("Bomb Damage Assessment") published by the Defense Intelligence Agency. Several points should be made about these compilations.

1. Strikes on targets are listed only if they have been recorded in the BDA Fact Book and are not more than 15 nautical miles (nm.) from the alleged target location.
2. Since reporting of targets attacked on Rolling Thunder armed recon missions is not as specific as that for targets hit on Rolling Thunder strike missions, it is only possible to indicate whether Rolling Thunder armed recon missions were flown in the vicinity or general area near the alleged target. Pilots flying armed recon missions report significant targets attacked. It can only be assumed that if a target wasn't reported - it wasn't struck.
3. This summary does not include MAROPS or AIROPS.

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